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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF NOTE ON DAVIS FAMILY KILLINGS WHICH DCM PLANS DELIVER TO CARDOSO, CHIEF, DIVISION OF NORTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA, FOREIGN OFFICE AT NOON JULY 5. IF DEPARTMENTS DESIRES ANY CHANGES PLEASE INFORM EMBASSY NIACT BY 1000 A.M. BRASILIA TIME.

BEGIN TEXT OF NOTE:

NO. 272
THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS OF THE FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE EMBASSY'S NOTE NO. 130 OF MARCH 19, 1976, EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER THE SITUATION OF JOHN WEAVER DAVIS, AN AMERICAN CITIZEN RESIDING IN BRAZIL. THE NOTE MENTIONED THE INVASION AND DEFORESTATION OF MR. DAVIS' LAND BY INTRUDERS, AND THE INCREASING DANGER THAT GRAVE CONFLICTS MIGHT OCCUR AS A RESULT UNLESS STEPS WERE TAKEN TO INVESTIGATE AND RESOLVE THE DISPUTES.
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SERIOUS INCIDENT WHICH OCCURRED JULY 3. ACCORDING TO

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PRESENT INFORMATION, JOHN DAVIS AND HIS SONS BRUCE AND
MALLORY WERE GETTING OUT OF THEIR TRUCK ON THEIR LAND-
HOLDING WHEN THEY WERE FIRED UPON BY A LARGE GROUP OF
ARMED MEN. BRUCE AND MALLORY DAVIS WERE KILLED AND
JOHN DAVIS WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

THE EMBASSY EXPRESSES ITS DEEP REGRET AT THIS TRAGIC
OCCURRENCE. THE EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT THE APPROPRIATE
STATE AND FEDERAL AUTHORITIES ARE UNDERTAKING AN INVESTIGATION
OF THE OCCURRENCES WHICH LED TO THE BLOODSHED.
THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED AS TO THE RESULTS.

WITH RESPECT TO THE UNDERLYING CONDITIONS THAT
PRODUCED THIS TRAGIC OCCURRENCE,THE EMBASSY AT THIS
POINT CAN ONLY REITERATE ITS REQUEST OF MARCH 19
THAT THE RESPONSIBLE BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES UNDERTAKE
A THOROUGH AND CONCLUSIVE INVESTIGATION INTO THE
DISPUTES IN QUESTION AND THAT STEPS BE TAKEN TO BRING
AN END TO THEM, BEFORE STILL MORE BLOODSHED OCCURS.

AS A MATTER OF PARTICULAR PRIORITY, THE EMBASSY
ALSO REQUESTS THAT THE APPROPRIATE BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES
BE INSTRUCTED TO PROVIDE FULL PROTECTION FOR THE
MEMBERS OF THE DAVIS FAMILY REMAINING ON THEIR PROPERTY.

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS THE ASSURANCES OF ITS
HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

END TEXT OF NOTE.
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